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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :

Beatrice TOUMI, et al. : EXAMINER: YU, GINA C.

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FOR: TIGHTENING AGENT COMPRISING  
AT LEAST ONE GRAFTED SILICONE  
POLYMER

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated August 12, 2008, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.